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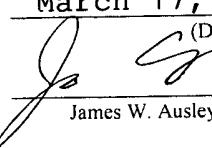
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App. No	:	10/020,484
Filed	:	December 12, 2001
For	:	BILL ACCEPTOR FOR A GAMING MACHINE
Examiner	:	Matthew D. Hoel
Art Unit	:	3713

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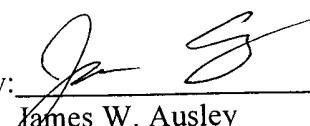
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- (X) Copy of Status Letter filed July 1, 2005, 4 pg.
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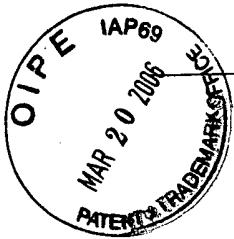
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF ABANDONED STATUS

First named inventor : James Rist
 App. No. : 10/020,484
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 Title : BILL ACCEPTOR FOR A GAMING MACHINE
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Dear Sirs:

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper response to the Office Action mailed on December 30, 2003, which set a 3 month period for response. The Applicant submits that the Notice of Abandonment has been sent in error and requests reconsideration.

On June 1, 2004 an Amendment was filed in the above-identified application in response to the Office Action dated December 30, 2003. The Amendment was filed with a Request for Extension of Time of two months and the required fee. We note that a three month extension of time should have been requested, however the response was filed along with authorization for the Commissioner to charge any additional fees, including fees for additional extension of time, to our Deposit Account No. 11-1410. A copy of the Amendment is attached. Also attached is a printout from the USPTO's Private PAIR database indicating that the Amendment was received in the U.S. Patent Office on June 4, 2004.

On July 1, 2005 and November 22, 2005, the Applicant's representative filed Status Letters requesting the status of the Application. A copy of both documents and their respective USPTO-date stamped return postcards are attached. The Applicant's representative received no response to either Status Letter.

It is requested that the Examiner revive the application and accept the Amendment timely filed on June 1, 2004.

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Date of Action: 12/30/2003Rec'd in the USPTO on the date stamped hereon via Certificate of Mail:
Docket #: FBRIC20.001AUS Applicant: RIST, JamesTitle: BILL ACCEPTOR FOR A GAMING MACHINEApp No.: 10/020,484 Filed: 12/12/2001
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 Amendment in 8 pgs
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Application Type:	Utility	Status Date:	12-30-2003
Examiner Name:	THAI, XUAN MARIAN	Location:	ELECTRONIC
Group Art Unit:	3713	Location Date:	-
Confirmation Number:	6786	Earliest Publication No:	US 2003-0109302 A1
Attorney Docket Number:	FBRIC20.001AUS	Earliest Publication Date:	06-12-2003
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First Named Inventor:	James Rist, New South Wales, (AU)	Issue Date of Patent:	-
Title Of Invention:	Bill acceptor for a gaming machine		

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08-18-2005	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed
07-25-2005	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
06-04-2004	Workflow incoming amendment IFW
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12-24-2003	Non-Final Rejection
01-14-2003	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
12-12-2001	Preliminary Amendment
02-06-2002	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
01-14-2002	Application Dispatched from OIPE
01-11-2002	Application Is Now Complete
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Docket #: FEE 002.00345 Applicant: PIST

Title: Blue Headed Pen & Channel Machine

App No.: 10/020,484 Filed: 12/12/01

Exr: WILLIAM W. O'NEILL Art Unit: -

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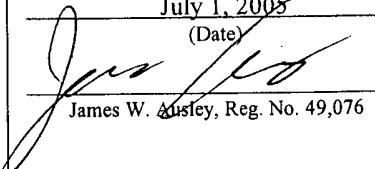
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Dear Sir:

Our file for the subject application reveals that there has been no action in this application for over one year, i.e., June 1, 2004.

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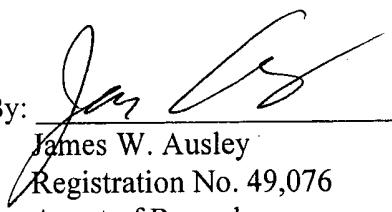
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Title: *CH-ACCEPTOR FOR CATHETER MANUFACTURE*

App No.: *10/020,464* Filed: *12/12/01*

Examiner: *J. J. NEIL C.* Art Unit: *-*

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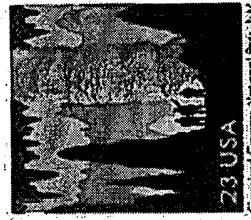
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Docket #: FREEH 2.003AUS Applicant: James Rist

Title: Bill Acceptor For a Gaming Machine

App No.: 10/020484 Filed: Dec. 12, 2001

Exr: Xuan M. Thai Art Unit: 3713

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MACHINE
Examiner : Xuan Marian Thai

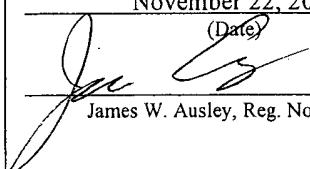
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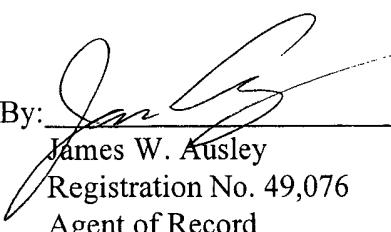
Dear Sir:

Upon review of our records and any available PAIR record, it appears there has been no action in the above-referenced application since the Response to Office Action was mailed on June 1, 2004.

Please inform us as to the status of this application. This is our second request.

Respectfully submitted,
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